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Herand Mines

1. The Herand coal mines are brown coal mines which have been opened since World War II. They are located about two kilometers northwest of the town of Herand which is known for its fine clay. A new road has been built from the mines to the Herand-Ajka highway.
2. There are two mines, one open pit and the other underground. The coal is poor, only 2,500 calories. The open pit coal occurs close to the surface with only one meter of waste cover while the underground mine is worked from an adit, driven into a hill. The deposit is almost flat lying.
3. The coal is screened in a primitive hand-operated sorting plant and transported by belt conveyor to a pulverizing plant. The pulverized coal is shipped by rail to the Inota power plant.
4. Almost 900 miners, all free, are employed. They have been recruited from the villages nearby and no miners settlement has been built.

Petofi Mine

5. The Petofi coal mine is considered a model mine in Hungary. It is located 1.5 kilometers northeast of the Selypi railway station on the eastern bank of the Zagyva river.
6. The coal occurs in a flat lying seam about 40-50 meters below the surface with sandstone backs.
7. There are four shafts: main shaft, No 3, No 4 and No 12; all completely separated.

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8. Some of the mines are warm and gaseous, others are cool but wet. In the dry mines, all mining operations have been mechanized with modern (1952-53) USSR and Hungarian equipment.
9. The coal is of poor quality, about three thousand calories. It is used for power generation at the Lorinci power plant about two kilometers away. Transportation is by cable car.
10. Over two thousand laborers are employed. A modern settlement which includes a special miner's school is under construction.

Szurdoki and Tolgyes

11. Two new mines, the Szurdoki and Tolgyes, have been opened up since the war in the Salgotarjan coal basin. They are located about one kilometer north of the Nemti miners settlement. They are about 300 meters apart. They are under the management of the Mizerfa Pit-Coal Board.
12. The Szurdoki mine is about 150 meters deep. It is developed by a slope two kilometers long equipped with a cableway.
13. The quality of the coal is the best in the area. It is used exclusively for industrial purposes.
14. Mining methods are primitive with no modern machinery in use. The coal is transported from the mine to a large central bunker to Kis Torenne by narrow gauge railroad.
15. About two thousand free laborers are employed. New apartments are under construction at the Nemti miners settlement.

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